

ROOT ENTERS FRAY  
WITH A BIG STICKNew York Housecleaning to  
Start Soon.

WOODRUFF IN THE REAR

Has Nothing to Say Until After  
the Conference.

Senator Seems to Be in Good Mood,  
Though He Says, in Reply to Re-  
port Combination Is to Make Hard  
Fight to Retain Woodruff, "Other  
People Could Fight, Too, and Fight  
Hard for General Housecleaning."

New York, March 12.—Senator Root  
arrived in town to-night. He seemed to  
be in especial good humor. He didn't  
seem to care to go into the details of  
his visit, but in a general way said that  
he was to meet Chairman Woodruff to-  
morrow and later on President Griscom,  
of the New York Republican county  
committee.

The Senator intimated that there should  
be a general reorganization of the party  
in the State, and that he was not at all  
surprised at the outcome of the contest  
at Albany, when Senator Cobb was se-  
lected over Senator Hinman to be pres-  
ident pro tem of the senate.

It was learned that William Barnes,  
jr., who came down from Albany to-day;  
William L. Ward, national commit-  
teeman for the State, and Speaker James  
W. Wadsworth, jr., are also to have  
talks with Senator Root, and, for that  
matter, before the Senator returns to  
Washington on Monday a number of  
other Republicans are to talk with him.

Senator Root has been aware for sev-  
eral days that the Woodruff-Barnes  
combination propose to fight the retire-  
ment of Woodruff as State chairman,  
and, replying to this, he smiled rather  
grimly when he said: "Other people  
could fight, too, and fight for a general  
housecleaning at that."

Woodruff in Background.

Chairman Woodruff remained out of  
the way to-day at his home in Garden  
City. He said he did not want to talk  
about the situation, and in all probability  
Mr. Woodruff will not have anything to  
say until after his conference with Sen-  
ator Root.

From all that could be learned of  
Chairman Woodruff's programme—and

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## HORSES FOR U. S. ARMY.

Dickinson Contemplates Following  
Plan of Remounting.

Secretary of War Dickinson has out-  
lined in a letter to Secretary of Agriculture  
Wilson a new plan for furnishing horses  
for the army.

His scheme contemplates the establish-  
ment by the Department of Agriculture  
of farms for the breeding of horses. Under  
the plan the War Department is to co-  
operate in the venture. Here is the let-  
ter in part:

"If you can agree with that arrange-  
ment are practicable similar to those in  
vogue in European countries, whereby  
the agricultural or similar department  
superintends the breeding of horses and  
the army makes purchases from among  
those so bred, I think that all that re-  
mains to be done is for each of us to  
designate representatives from our re-  
spective interested bureaus to get to-  
gether and formulate plans, taking into  
consideration the allowances that must be  
made for our form of government and  
existing laws."

WESTERN FIREMEN  
ON STRIKE VERGEAnswer to Roads to Effect  
27,000 Men.

Chicago, March 12.—Possibilities of a  
strike of 27,000 firemen on forty-five rail-  
roads grew more serious to-day. Little  
hope was expressed by officials of the  
union of reaching a satisfactory agree-  
ment with the railroad managers. Union  
men say the situation is grave, and that  
unless concessions are made there will be  
a break in the arbitration session  
within a few days.

The men are demanding an increase in  
wages of 13 per cent and the adoption of  
certain rules providing for seniority of  
promotion from firemen to engineers.  
These demands have thus far been re-  
fused by the railroads.

A committee of the Brotherhood of  
Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen has  
framed a final answer to the general  
managers committee. The answer was  
delivered to the railroad officials to-night,  
but neither side would divulge its con-  
tents.

Auto Kills Argentine Consul.

Munich, March 12.—While a party of  
automobilists were traveling near here  
to-day their car ran into a tree. Argentine  
Consul Geiger was killed and the  
wife of Paraguayan Consul Korte was  
seriously injured.

Turkey Buys Some War Ships.

Paris, March 12.—A dispatch from  
Buenos Ayres states that Brazil has sold  
several battle ships to Turkey.

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## WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia,  
Maryland, and Virginia—Fair  
weather and rising temperature  
to-day. To-morrow, fair.

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NEGRO'S HATCHET  
MANGLES OFFICERPatrolman Fishback Dying  
in Hospital.

## FIVE SKULL FRACTURES

Revolver, Badge, and Hat Gone  
After Struggle.

Black Demon Captured by Three  
Officers Near House Where Fish-  
back Went to Rescue of Negro  
Woman, Who Had Been Attacked,  
and He Is Held in Baltimore Prison  
Charged with Attempting Murder.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Baltimore, Md., March 12.—With his uni-  
form slashed into ribbons, his leather belt  
chopped up, his revolver, badge, and hat  
gone, his body gashed with wounds, and  
his skull fractured in five places, Patrol-  
man Andrew Fishback is lying at the  
point of death at the Maryland University  
Hospital to-night.

It was the result of a vicious attack  
with a sharp hatchet made on him while  
trying to arrest a negro in South Balti-  
more. Orby Cheo, negro, is locked up  
charged with assaulting and attempting  
to kill the policeman.

The assault occurred in the back yard  
of 1029 Leadenhall street. Chew and Irene  
Brodyen, also colored, of the same ad-  
dress, were in a room on the second floor.  
A quarrel occurred, and, according to the  
woman, Chew assaulted her with a stove  
lid and she was beaten about the face  
and head.

Calls Policeman to Aid.

According to her statement, the top of  
her head was cut and there was a large  
gash under the left eye. She said she  
ran out of the house, through the yard,  
and to the corner of Hamburg and Sharp  
streets, where she saw Patrolman Fish-  
back. Calling to him that she was being  
murdered, she begged the officer to hurry  
to the house and arrest Chew. She told  
him not to go through the front door,  
but to enter through the gate and then  
go into the house.

This the patrolman did, and as he and  
the woman were entering the yard Chew  
came running out of the house. She  
saw him and he was the man. She  
ran from the yard and Fishback made  
a grab for Chew.

Officer Is Attacked.

As she reached the alley she said she  
heard the patrolman say: "My God, he's  
killing me!" Then she claimed three shots  
were fired. Chew seized the patrolman  
and chopped at him with a hatchet.  
Blows were rained on the officer's head  
and body until he was no longer able to  
defend himself.

Chew was arrested by Patrolmen Dyer  
and Wilkins, of the Southern district, in  
the house at 1019 South Howard street,  
within fifteen minutes after the assault.

## EMERGE FROM SHIPWRECK.

Four Men Tell of Harships at  
Mercy of Gale.

Seward, Alaska, March 12.—Worn by  
almost incredible hardships and weeks of  
icy gales, four of six men who on Janu-  
ary 7 left the wreck of the Farallon in  
Cook Inlet in a small boat and undertook  
the desperate task of rowing somewhere  
to procure relief for their companions,  
were brought into Seward just before  
midnight last night on the revenue cut-  
ter Tahomah, which for almost three  
weeks has been searching for them.

The Tahomah also brings word that the  
other two men are alive and safe.

Ten Dollars Head Tax.

Arguments against the educational  
qualification, the \$10 head tax, and the  
immigration restriction bill were pre-  
sented to the House Committee on Immi-  
gration yesterday by Francis Burton  
Harrison, of New York, and Keliher, of  
Massachusetts.

\$45.25—California and Coast Points  
via Chesapeake and Ohio Railway.

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## TWENTIETH CENTURY SPHINX.



## DROP OUT OF CLUB.

Lillis and Cudahy Resign as Result  
of Assault.

Kansas City, March 12.—After nearly a  
week at St. Mary's Hospital waiting for  
the knife wounds inflicted by J. P. Cuda-  
hy to heal, Jere F. Lillis, president of the  
Western Exchange Bank, of this city, has  
been removed to his home. In re-  
sponse to a telephone call, a nurse at the  
Lillis house to-day said the banker was  
getting along "splendidly."

It developed to-day that the directors  
of the Country Club, one of the most ex-  
clusive in the city, adopted a resolution  
Thursday night citing Jere F. Lillis to  
appear and show cause why he should not  
be dismissed from the club's membership  
roll. Lillis, in reply, sent his resigna-  
tion.

At the same meeting the directors re-  
ceived the resignation of J. P. Cudahy,  
which had been sent in voluntarily. Mr.  
Cudahy's resignation was accepted.

PERKINS ACCEPTED  
"HARRIMAN" MONEYSays He Was Paid for Lec-  
tures Outside Office Hours.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Chicago, March 12.—E. T. Perkins, head  
of the United States Reclamation Service  
in Chicago, admitted to-night that he had  
received money from the Harriman rail-  
roads while receiving a \$3,000 a year salary  
from the government.

The admission was made in reply to  
charges contained in the testimony of  
Chief Engineer A. P. Davis, of the Re-  
clamation Service, before the Balling-  
er-Pinchot Congressional committee at  
Washington. Mr. Davis charged that Mr.  
Perkins had received an allowance of  
\$300 a month from the Harriman roads.

But, while admitting he had received  
money from the Harriman lines, Mr. Per-  
kins declared the money was paid to him  
for lectures delivered outside of his regu-  
lar office hours, and asserted that all  
that he had done was with the express  
authority of the director of the Reclama-  
tion Service.

"I never delivered any of the 'Black  
Tent' lectures, and never was absent  
from my office in Chicago in connection  
with these lectures," he said. "I never  
personally received any money for the  
lectures, and the full expense accounts  
attaching to the lectures were audited  
and passed both by the participating rail-  
road companies and the Secretary of the  
Interior. The lectures meant nothing to  
me. In any way, and I took no benefit  
from them."

"No partiality was shown the Harriman  
roads in these or other lectures, as Sec-  
retary Ballinger was particular that there  
should be no discrimination in favor of  
any territory or any interest."

Following this explanation of the  
"Black Tent" lectures, Mr. Perkins said  
that he had delivered other lectures for  
the Harriman railroads and had received  
money for so doing.

"I have delivered lectures at other times  
and other places," he said, "under an  
agreement with the Harriman roads. This  
agreement provided that I should receive  
\$50 per lecture for a course of twenty-  
four, and that the \$50 was to be used in  
defraying all expenses of each lecture.

I was to receive for my own use what-  
ever money might be left after the ex-  
penses were paid. This was done upon  
the written authority of the director of  
the Reclamation Service."

## SNOW RECALLS ANNIVERSARY.

Flurries of snow that fell for a few  
hours yesterday marked the anniversary  
of the blizzard of 1888, when the Eastern  
States were buried under a snowfall that  
lasted for three days. The snow yester-  
day was light and melted as soon as it  
fell, the sun finally appearing through the  
clouds in the afternoon for a time.

The blizzard of 1888 began on the after-  
noon of March 12 and continued until the  
evening of March 15. The maximum fall  
was nearly four feet on the level, and in  
some places the wind had drifted the  
snow to the depth of thirty or forty feet.  
Traffic was paralyzed, and much suffering  
was caused from the cold and want of  
provisions.

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RADICAL CHANGE  
IN RAILROAD BILLAmendment Authorizes the  
Valuation of Properties.

## OBSTACLE IN WAY OF MERGERS

House Committee Aims to Stamp Out  
"Evils of Water Stock"—Minority  
Stockholders Given Right to Enjoin  
Issuance of New Securities—Formal  
Vote to Be Taken to-morrow.

A valuation of railroad properties by  
the Interstate Commerce Commission as  
a condition precedent to the merging, con-  
solidation, or reorganization of carriers,  
subject to the law, is authorized in an  
amendment to the administration railroad  
bill adopted by the House Committee on  
Interstate and Foreign Commerce yester-  
day.

This change in the administration bill  
is regarded as the most radical that has  
been proposed by the House committee,  
providing, as it does, for railroad valua-  
tion and at the same time placing ob-  
stacles in the way of such mergers as  
the Harriman consolidation of the Union  
Pacific and the Southern Pacific.

Evils of Watering Stock.

It is the aim of the House committee,  
in framing the bill that it will soon re-  
port, to stamp out as far as possible what  
is characterized as "the evil of watering  
stock."

An amendment was adopted, providing  
that in issuing stocks and bonds "new  
corporations" shall base such issues upon  
the actual value of the property involved,  
such value to be determined by the Inter-  
state Commerce Commission.

Another important change was made.  
It has to do with the rights of minority  
stockholders. The bill provided that per-  
sons holding at least 10 per cent of the  
stock of a railroad should have the right  
to enjoin the issuance of new securities.  
It was held that it would be unwise to  
incorporate such a provision in the law.

Protected Under Statutes.

This section of the law was eliminated,  
the committee taking the position that  
the rights of minority stockholders are  
adequately protected under present stat-  
utes.

A formal vote will be taken Monday  
on an amendment to the bill offered by  
Representative Washburn, of Massachusetts.  
This provides that the Interstate Com-  
merce Commission shall supervise the  
issue of railroad stocks and bonds, and  
fix the price at which they shall be offered  
for sale.

WAR WITH JAPAN  
SURE, SAYS SHAW"We Have Only One Re-  
course," He Declares.

Philadelphia, March 12.—The menace of  
Japan was the feature of an address of  
Leslie M. Shaw, ex-Secretary of the  
Treasury at the Academy of Music to-day  
before the Cohorts of Temple University  
in honor of Founders Day of that institu-  
tion.

Mr. Shaw said that there is not a cause  
of war except religious fanaticism that  
has ever existed from the dawn of crea-  
tion that does not now exist in intense  
form between Japan and the United  
States.

"Japan has said," he continued, "and  
doesn't deny it, and will tell it to you and  
tell it to the world, that she proposes to  
dominate and control the commerce of  
the Pacific Ocean or the Pacific Ocean will  
run red. Take your choice. We want  
some of the commerce some time. There  
will be but one way to get it."

"Castilla  
—Je purer water I ever examined."  
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## SHOT FROM DARK.

Italian Black Hand Foe Victim of  
His Enemies.

New Orleans, March 12.—Vincenzo Mo-  
raci, leader in the local Italian colony  
and one of the organizers of the Italian  
vigilantes during the Black Hand out-  
rages here three years ago, was shot  
from ambush to-day. He is dying in  
the Charity Hospital with two revolver  
bullets in his head.

That Moraci for months has been shad-  
owed is the belief of the police authori-  
ties. They assert that this is proved by  
the fact that he never followed any set  
direction in returning to his home, and  
that in order to lay the ambush for him  
the attempted assassins must have been  
informed of his intention to pass the  
corner. The police believe that some of  
the enemies whom Moraci made while  
tracking down Black Hand marauders  
secured employment under him for the  
purpose of learning his habits.

AEROPLANE TURNS  
TURTLE IN THE AIRTwo Accidents, One Fatal,  
at Seattle Exposition.

Seattle, Wash., March 12.—One fatal  
and one spectacular accident marked  
Seattle's first aviation exhibition to-day.  
A speeding automobile, near the mead-  
ows, where the show was held, ran into  
an obstruction and killed Mrs. Walter  
Dresser, of Vancouver, British Columbia,  
and seriously injured four other occu-  
pants of the machine.

Charles K. Hamilton, the aviator, was  
thrown from his biplane when it turned  
turtel as his exhibition was drawing to  
a close. Hamilton attempted to swoop  
bold fashion and skim the surface of a  
pond inclosed in the exhibition grounds.  
When the aeroplane turned over Ham-  
ilton was thrown clear, but got up appar-  
ently uninjured. A few minutes later he  
collapsed. He is now in the hospital,  
and seems to be suffering serious injury.

## OUT AFTER TAX.

Miller, of Minnesota, Would Tax  
Those Living Here.

Representative Miller, of Minnesota, is  
after the "millionaires who come to  
Washington to live to dodge taxes," and  
has introduced a bill providing for the  
taxing of "inheritances, devises, bequests,  
legacies, and gifts" in the National Cap-  
itol.

All estates of less than \$3,000 are ex-  
cluded, and there is an exemption limit  
of \$10,000 for bequests to the immediate  
family of a testator. Religious, bene-  
ficial, charitable, patriotic, and other gifts  
are all in the untaxed class.

All estates of from \$3,000 to \$50,000 are  
required by the Miller bill to pay a tax  
of 2 1/2 per cent, and all over that amount  
5 per cent.

Paragraph 7 of the measure provides  
that all money collected by means of  
this tax shall be placed in the Treasury  
entirely to the credit of the District of  
Columbia.

## PEARY IS SNUBBED.

Mayor of Atlanta Refuses to Intro-  
duce Him at Lecture.

Atlanta, Ga., March 12.—Commander  
Robert E. Peary, who is to lecture here  
next week on how he found the pole, will  
not receive any courtesies from the lead-  
ing citizens of Atlanta. For three days  
the manager of the lecture bureau has  
been trying to get some well-known citi-  
zen to introduce Peary, but has failed.

Mayor Maddox, President Paxon, of the  
chamber of commerce, and scores of  
others have refused to introduce him.  
They have made it clear that they will  
have nothing to do with Peary. They do  
not say Peary did not reach the pole,  
but do say it is peculiar that the ex-  
plorer will not submit proofs to Con-  
gress. One man in declining said Peary  
was too selfish to suit him.

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## FORT SCENTS REVOLT.

Governor Says Arbitration Is Solu-  
tion of Unrest.

Orange, N. J., March 12.—Unless there  
be arbitration boards appointed to settle  
the differences between wealth and the  
workingman, Gov. Fort, speaking at the  
charter day banquet in this city to-night,  
declared that this republic would witness  
a revolution. He declared that never be-  
fore was there a greater necessity for  
the creation of such a body as at the  
present time, when the country is faced  
by so many strikes in industries. Unless  
this be accomplished we shall end in revo-  
lution. And whether it be wealth or the  
workingman that fails to agree with the  
decision of this body when once organ-  
ized, then it will be necessary to have  
the law enforced by military force if  
needs be.

## MIDDY FASTS THREE DAYS.

Proves Abstinence Has No Bad Ef-  
fect on Vitality.

Annapolis, Md., March 12.—Midshipman  
Charles L. Brand, of Worcester, Mass.,  
a member of the graduating class of the  
Naval Academy, has just made good an  
assertion made to members of his class  
that he could abstain from food for three  
days without bad effect. Brand is one of  
the largest men in the Academy, and is  
the center on the football team. Besides,  
he is one of the best scholars in the  
first class.

During his fast he attended to his  
scholastic and routine duties as usual and  
came through it without any bad effects  
physically or upon his scholastic work.

FIRE WALL HOLDS  
MEN ENTOMBEDMidnight Rescuers Drag Out  
Seven Bodies.

## OTHERS MAY BE SAFE

Explosion at the Wilkesbarre  
Quarry a Mystery.

Ten to Seventeen Workmen Caught  
Unwarned and Are Surrounded by  
Flames Without Chance of Escape.  
Thousand Feet of Hose Sent Down  
Into Burning Shaft and Desperate  
Efforts Are Made to Reach Men.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 12.—An explo-  
sion in the No. 5 colliery of the Lehigh  
and Wilkesbarre Coal Company, at South  
Wilkesbarre, to-night shut ten to sev-  
enteen men behind a curve of rock and a  
wall of fire.

At 12:30 o'clock the rescuing party  
reached seven dead men. They were  
Owen Griffiths, William N. Jenkins, Hugh  
Price, Evan J. Williams, Condy Quaffey,  
William Jones, and Owen Jones. They  
were killed by the explosion and the fire  
damp.

The explosion occurred at 9 o'clock in  
the No. 12 plane, where a gang of men  
was placing a hoisting engine in position.  
The mine had been idle all week, and  
the men were taking advantage of this  
fact to put the engine together.

What caused the explosion is not  
known, but it is supposed that a large  
body of gas collected without the men  
knowing it and was ignited by their  
lights. The explosion was terrific in  
force and caused the roof for some dis-  
tance to fall in. This was followed by  
a fire, which apparently stretches for  
some distance along the plane.

Work of Rescue Stalled.

As soon as the alarm reached the sur-  
face, Gen. Supt. Charles Huber was sum-  
moned and took charge of the work of  
rescue. Five ambulances were called, and  
a force of city police was summoned to  
keep back the crowd of people which  
gathered quickly.

A fire fighting force was organized,  
and at 10 o'clock 1,000 feet of hose was  
sent down the mine and an effort made  
to play water on the fire. There was a  
good supply of water from the pumps,  
but the fire fighters were handicapped by  
the presence of deadly fire damp, which  
gathered in large quantities after the ex-  
plosion.

## TILLMAN IS HOMESICK.

Senator Tillman is getting impatient  
over his long confinement at his quarters  
in this city, and yesterday he expressed  
a desire to be removed to his country  
home in South Carolina.

He wanted to leave yesterday, but  
such a thing was out of the question. As  
soon as his condition will permit, he  
will be taken to South Carolina. The  
Senator is fond of flowers, and at his  
farm he has immense beds of them.

In expressing the desire to get back to  
his farm, where favorable weather con-  
ditions will permit him to be wheeled  
out of doors, Senator Tillman said:

"I want to get back to nature, to hear  
the birds sing and enjoy the spring  
flowers."

## Buried at Easton, Pa.

George Wilbur Sunderland, who died in  
this city last Wednesday, was buried at  
Easton, Pa., yesterday. Mr. Sunderland,  
who was a member of the faculty of the  
McKinley Manual Training School, had  
been ill for about two weeks before his  
death.

## Packing Inquiry to Resume.

Chicago, March 12.—Federal grand jury  
investigation of the packing industry will  
be resumed Monday. It is expected that  
about a dozen witnesses will be ques-  
tioned and the case closed by next  
Friday. District Attorney Sims will call  
the witnesses to clear up some ends of  
the investigation upon which the grand  
jurors wish more light.

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## SITUATION QUITE TENSE

Counsel for Gifford Pinchot Ac-  
cused of Trifling.

Flings Back Hot Denial and Pleads  
with Committee for Vindication.  
Ollie James to His Rescue—Matter  
Is Finally Sidelined—Flint Saves  
the Day